

Approved by Board March 2, 2023

Seven Hills Preparatory Academy Board Minutes – February 2, 2023

Members:

- Renson Anjere
- Lisa Barnidge
- Teron Buford
- Carolyn Farrell (Ex Officio)
- Chris Lamprecht
- Molly Lee
- Michael Meyer
- Allison Peterson
- Kelly Ryan
- Hadley Sayotovich
- Wes Whalberg

Others present: Jon Gutierrez, Brent Peterson, Joanna Mieling

Mission

Seven Hills Preparatory Academy engages students in a rigorous Classical education, designed to prepare each one for strong citizenship and life-long learning.

1. Call to order at 6:03 p.m. was made by Lisa Barnidge
2. Roll Call: See above list of members in attendance (indicates present, indicates absent).
3. Approval of the agenda
 - **Motion to approve the February 2, 2023 SHPA Board agenda made by Wes Whalberg and seconded by Michael Meyer. Motion passed unanimously.**
4. Approval of the January 5, 2023 Board meeting minutes --See SHPA Board meeting minutes January 5, 2023
 - **Motion to approve the January 5, 2023 Board meeting minutes made by Chris Lamprecht and seconded by Renson Anjere. Motion passed unanimously.**
5. Comments from Community Members:

PTA Update read by Wes Whalberg:

- Family Dinner Night \$500
- Feb. 15th Family Dinner Night - Panera
- Used Uniform Sale 1/28
- PTA Meeting - Monday Feb. 13th @ Bloomington Campus
- K-5 Dance @ BC Feb. 17th and RC Feb. 24th

6. Monthly Financial Report - December 2022- presented by Michael Meyer, *Board Treasurer, see Seven Hills Board Financial Packet.*

Monthly Management Report - December 2022 - presented by Michael Meyer, *Board Treasurer, see Seven Hills Board Management Packet.*

7. Reports

a. Finance Committee Meeting -- presented by Mike Meyer - *see Seven Hills Finance Committee meeting minutes, January 31, 2023.*

- **Motion to approve the January 31, 2023 Finance Committee meeting minutes made by Renson Anjere and seconded by Kelly Ryan. Motion passed unanimously.**
- **Motion to approve the revised structure of the administrative team and the posting of the Richfield Middle School principal's position made by Wes Whalberg and seconded by Renson Anjere. Motion passed unanimously.**

b. Executive Director Report - presented by Carolyn Farrell - *see Executive Director's Report to the School Board, February 2, 2023*

c. Principals' Reports

i. Principal Report – Bloomington Campus - presented by Carolyn Farrell - *See Principal's Report to the School Board, February 2, 2023*

ii. Principal Report – Richfield Campus – presented by Carolyn Farrell- *See Principal's Report to the School Board, February 2, 2023*

d. Board Chair – presented by Lisa Barnidge

i. Executive Committee Meeting -- presented by Lisa Barnidge - *see Seven Hills Executive Committee meeting minutes, January 31, 2023.*

- **Motion to approve the January 31, 2023 Executive Committee meeting minutes made by Michael Meyer and seconded by Kelly Ryan. Motion passed unanimously.**

ii. Recap of Working Session on January 17, 2023

- **Motion to approve the January 17, 2023 Working Session meeting minutes made by Chris Lamprecht and seconded by Michael Meyer. Motion passed unanimously.**

iii. March Town Hall Date

iv. Ad Hoc Election Committee

v. Attendee to February PTA Meeting - Wes Whalberg

vi. Review February Board Calendar

e. Facilities Committee -- *presented by Wes Whalberg - see Seven Hills Facilities Committee meeting minutes, January 24, 2023*

- **Motion to approve the January 24, 2023 Facilities Committee meeting minutes made by Michael Meyer and seconded by Renson Anjere. Motion passed unanimously.**

f. Human Resources Committee - *presented by Carolyn Farrell - see Seven Hills HR Committee meeting minutes, January 12, 2023.*

- **Motion to approve the January 12, 2023 HR Committee meeting minutes made by Wes Whalberg and seconded by Kelly Ryan Motion passed unanimously.**

g. Governance Committee - *presented by Renson Anjere - see Seven Hills Governance Committee meeting minutes, January 30, 2023.*

- **Motion to approve the January 30, 2023 Governance Committee meeting minutes as amended made by Kelly Ryan and seconded by Michael Meyer. Motion passed unanimously.**

h. Public Relations Committee - *committee did not meet.*

8. Upcoming Events:

- a. PTA Meeting - February 13, 2023 5:30 pm @ Bloomington Campus

9. Board Events:

- a. SHPA Board Meeting - March 2, 2023 6:00 pm @ Bloomington Campus

10. Board Adjourned at 7:56 p.m. by Lisa Barnidge

Interim Executive Director's/Richfield Campus Principal Report to the School Board

Date: Thursday, February 2nd, 2023

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Academics

- K-5 Interim rewrite to better align with updated Math in Focus
- 6-8 Middle School Mid Year Certas

Community Partnerships

- Invited Michael Howard (DFL) Richfield and Nathan Coulter (DFL) Bloomington to our Civitas Fairs in April

Finance

- Richfield Campus Window Project
- Five Year Property Condition Assessment
- School Transportation Rates
- Administrative Restructure
- Fire Panel Replacement at Richfield Campus
- Addition of Lakeville Bus (ESSER III)

School Culture

- Staff satisfaction survey will close January 31st
- Middle School Open House

Staffing

- Teacher Retention Webinar (Charter School Capital)

Enrollment

- LEA Enrollment = 1149

Bloomington Campus: 561

Richfield Campus Elementary: 301

Middle School: 287

Open Enrollment Waiting Lists:

Richfield Campus

Kindergarten: 109

First Grade: 18

Second Grade: 14

Third Grade: 20

Fourth Grade: 14

Fifth Grade: 17

Sixth Grade: 20

Seventh Grade: 10

Eighth Grade: 7

Bloomington Campus

Kindergarten: 125

First Grade: 11

Second Grade: 13

Third Grade: 12

Fourth Grade: 10

Fifth Grade: 9

*possibly 20 new students from Lakeville, bus consideration

Bloomington Campus Principal's Report to the School Board

Date: Thursday, February 2, 2023

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ACADEMICS

- We accepted a donation from the Eagles Club of Bloomington for \$750 to fulfill some additional art projects/materials requested by our new art teacher.
- Literacy curriculum review continues with the Curriculum Committee (RC/BC)

STAFFING

- Due to increases in students receiving Special Education services, we are hiring for a part time SPED teacher and a part-time Speech-Language Pathologist (SLP).
- We are also working to fill two long-call sub positions, 1 for SLP Jenny Dean, and 1 for EA Taylor Ryan (the former is set while the latter is ongoing)
- We are 19th on the waitlist for the Come *Teach in MN* grant. Initial schools have to use by Aug 1.

CULTURE

- Field trips abound including trips to Crayola Experience, Minneapolis Institute of the Arts (MIA), and the Mill City Museum (MIA field trips as a result of bussing grant from Ms. Fox)

- Congrats to the Book Bosses for coming out on top in our Battle of the Books, they will battle the RC champion to represent Seven Hills at the competition in May at Eagle Ridge
- Author/Illustrator Mike Wohnoutka (Minneapolis), is visiting K-2 students at both campuses to share about his writing and creative process, to promote literacy and authorship among our youngest readers and writers.

Submitted by Brent Peterson, Bloomington Campus Principal